

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the status of the claims is now properly indicated.

No new matter is presented.

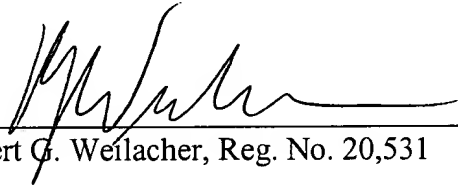
For reasons set forth in the amended of December 22, 2004, applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance.

Favorable action at the Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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